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## **OVERNIGHT CLOSURES of** **Southbound I-5 Carmenita Road Off-Ramp**

**Santa Fe Springs and Norwalk** – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will close the southbound Santa Ana Freeway (Interstate 5) off-ramp at Carmenita Road overnight on the following nights:

- **Wednesday January 23 from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m.**
- **Thursday, January 24 from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m.**

Motorists traveling southbound I-5 can exit the freeway at the Rosecrans Avenue off-ramp or the Valley View Avenue off-ramp.

The work involves underground work to tie-in local and county sewer system lines. The work is part of the \$380 million I-5 HOV Widening and Carmenita Road Interchange Project to construct one carpool lane and one general purpose lane in each direction from Alondra Boulevard to Shoemaker Avenue, reconstruct the Carmenita Road Bridge and realign and upgrade frontage roads.

In other on-going work, pile driving is taking place during weekdays from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. through April 2013 at the intersection of Firestone Boulevard and Carmenita Road. The work involves setting approximately 2,500 steel piles into the ground as part of the foundation structural support for the new Carmenita Road Bridge. Carmenita Road and the Carmenita Bridge will remain open for traffic. The existing two-lane steel structure will be replaced with a 10-lane concrete structure. The contractor is Flatiron West, Inc. of San Marcos, CA.

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